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The Haker House

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Private

1861

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Constructed in 1861, it has been associated with the Otten, Davis and Haker families of Howard County, Maryland.

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Dist. 1

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

MAGI# 1405065504

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

The Haker House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

7931 Old Montgomery Rd. (Now on Brightwood Court in the Brightfield subdivision.)

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. George T. Haker, Jr.

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

7931 Old Montgomery Road

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21043**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

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Liber #: 162

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Hall of Records

Folio #: 300

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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The north and south elevations of the house are identical to one another, holding single, central bay, first and second floor windows, similar to those described on the west facade.

The east elevation holds a similar first and second floor window in its south bay, while along its central and north bays extends the two story high, kitchen wing. Along the north and south walls of this kitchen wing run enclosed, one story high, shed roofed porches with rectangular entrances.

The principal block of the house originally featured two central, interior, brick chimneys, which have since been removed.

The interior features a central hall and staircase plan. The staircase features original turned spindles and knewel post, held together with dowels.

A cornerstone on the building holds the date 1861, while the stone dairy, located north of the house, holds a date of 1894.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
—PREHISTORIC	—ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	—COMMUNITY PLANNING	—LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	—RELIGION	
—1400-1499	X —ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	—CONSERVATION	—LAW	—SCIENCE	
—1500-1599	—AGRICULTURE	—ECONOMICS	—LITERATURE	—SCULPTURE	
—1600-1699	X —ARCHITECTURE	—EDUCATION	—MILITARY	—SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
—1700-1799	—ART	—ENGINEERING	—MUSIC	—THEATER	
X —1800-1899	—COMMERCE	—EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	—PHILOSOPHY	—TRANSPORTATION	
—1900-	—COMMUNICATIONS	—INDUSTRY	—POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	—OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		—INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1861

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Haker House is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland, as a well preserved example of a typical nineteenth century vernacular frame building, which has historical importance as well, as it is connected with the Haker, Davis and Otten families of Howard County, Maryland.

Historically, it appears on the 1878 Hopkin's Atlas as the residence of John Otten. In the years 1891 and 1892 John Otten received two deeds : 1) A deed conveyed by G. Herman Otten to him for 17½ acres (58-64), dated the 24 November 1891 and the other conveyed by William Davis, Jr. and his wife, Virginia to him for 50 acres of land on August 2, 1892 (58-605).

On March 21, 1922 the heirs of John and Julia Otten, Bernard F. Otten, et al conveyed the property to Henry F. Damm, which included the two parcels of land, consisting of 69 3/4 acres of land with the 1861 house. (115-53)

Some three years later, June 13, 1925, Henry F. Damm and his wife Edith conveyed the property to George Haker. The house has remained in the Haker family from that time, passing to George J. Haker, Jr. in 1933 (146-411). Interestingly enough, Mrs. George J. Haker, Jr. was brought up in this house, in which her family, Mr. and Mrs. James Davis and their eight children, made their home during the tenure of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Damm.

Historically, this area of Howard County was settled by families, which came from Germany. Together they formed a small community, with the children enjoying one another.

The Haker, Davis and Otten families exemplified this fact. Mrs. Haker had two older sisters and an older brother, while Mr. Haker had another older sister, all of whom visited back and forth. In the winter time, all went sleigh riding together and there was general merriment. Families were often tied together by marriage, such as an aunt of Mr. Haker, Aunt Sophie marrying one of the Ottens, William.

Architecturally, the Haker House is significant as an example of the mid-nineteenth century architecture of Howard County, a typical three bay wide, one bay deep, two story high, gabled roof frame residence with intersecting gabled roof kitchen wing creating an L plan. A
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Significance

German influence is found in this house by the location of the original mantle pieces, found in the north and south interior walls of the living room, and dining room respectively, rather than inset into the exterior walls of these rooms, as most generally found. The fireplaces have since been removed by the present owners. An interesting, stone diary, dated 1894 is located just north of the house. It features a gable roof, which extends to create a portico for the two south doors to the building.

Agriculturally, the property also is of importance, forming with the several surrounding farms a nucleus for agriculture in a fast developing area. The property is taxed as agriculture and located in a RSC (Residential Single Family Cluster) zone.

Historically and architecturally noteworthy to Howard County, the Haker House should be considered for inclusion to any National Register or local historic district proposal, initiated by the citizens of Howard County, should its owners so desire.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Interview with Mr. and Mrs. George T. Haker
Howard County Land Records

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 67.620 Acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map #37

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 162 Folio 300

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Howard

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

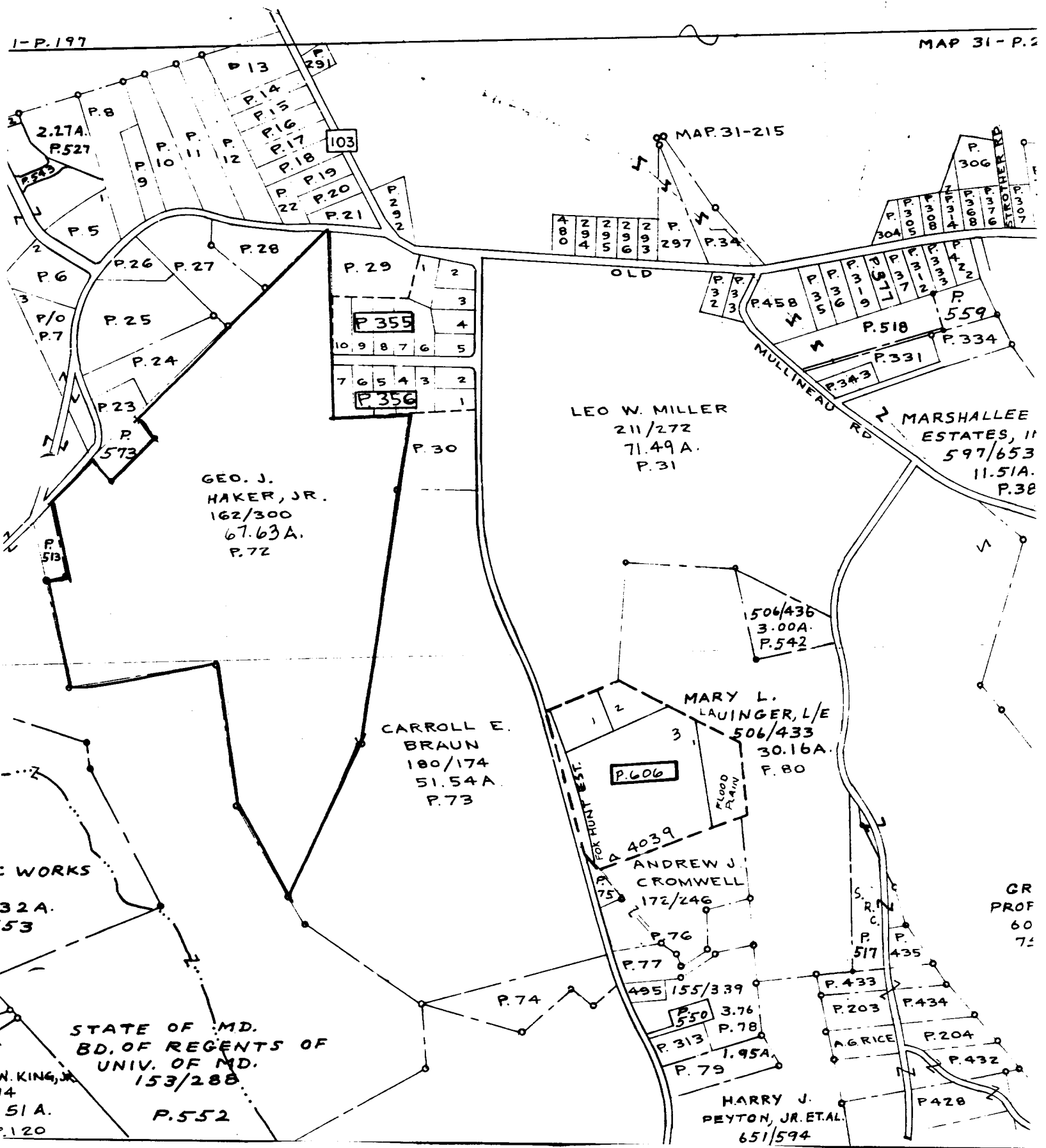
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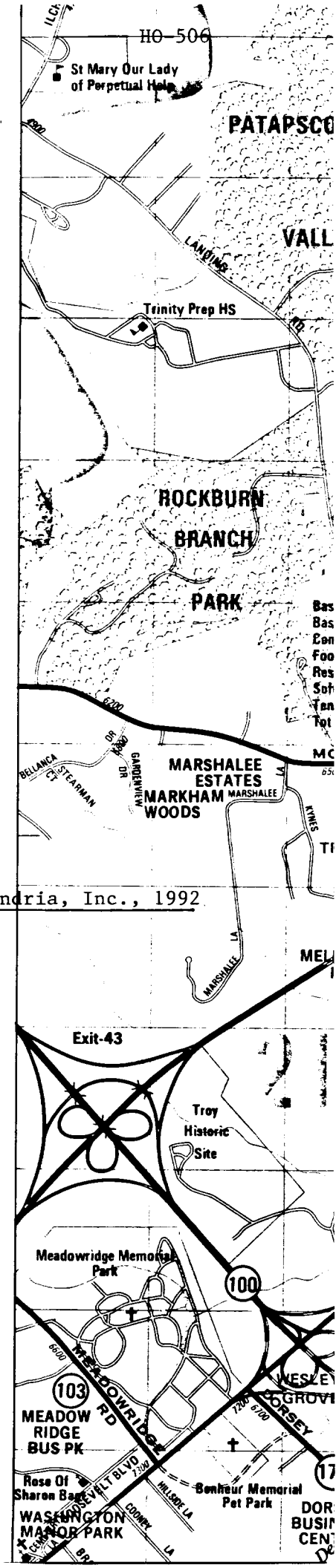
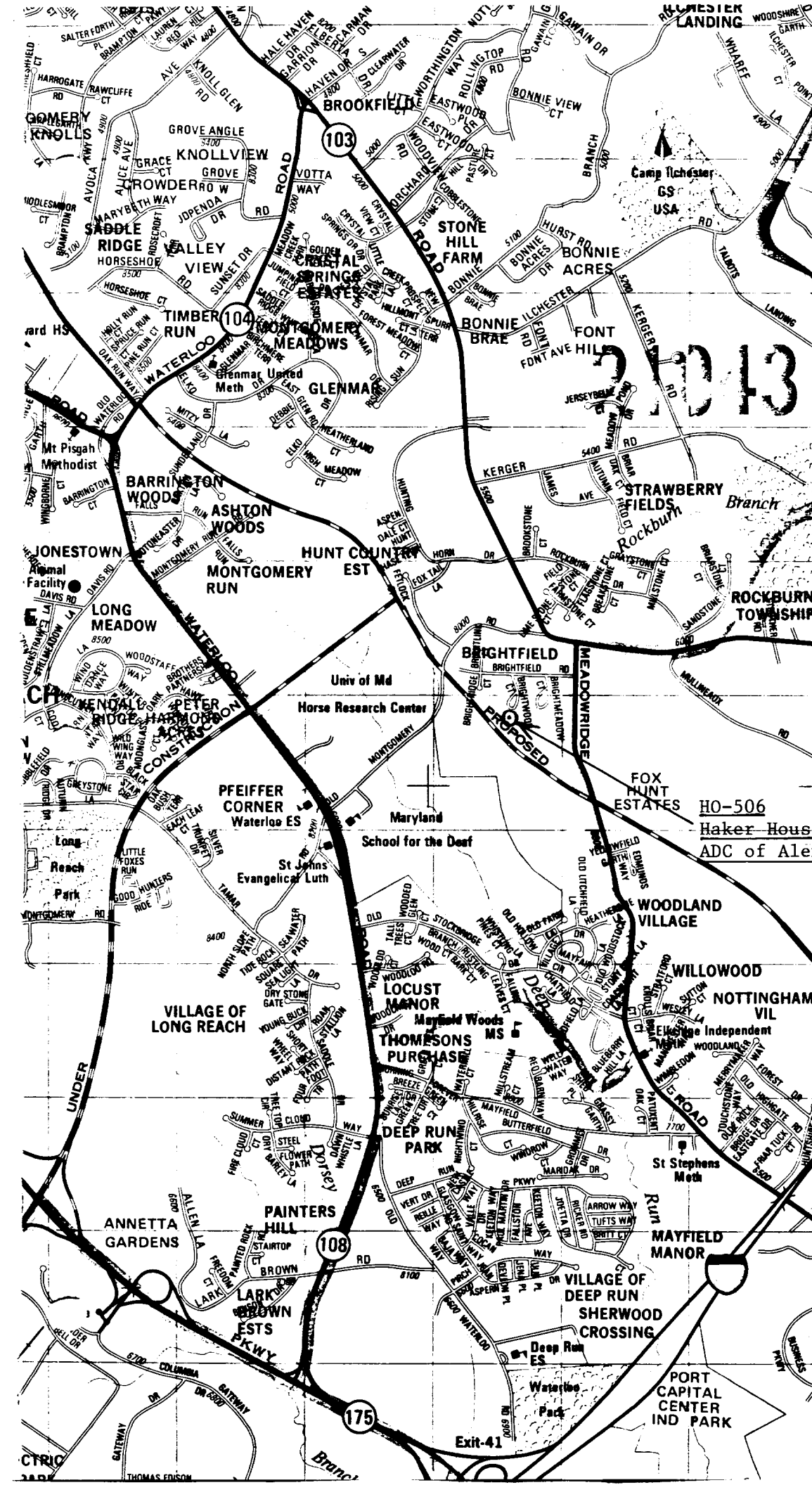
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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